First Baptist Church

of

Mill Creek, Illinois

The First 100 Years

1896-1996

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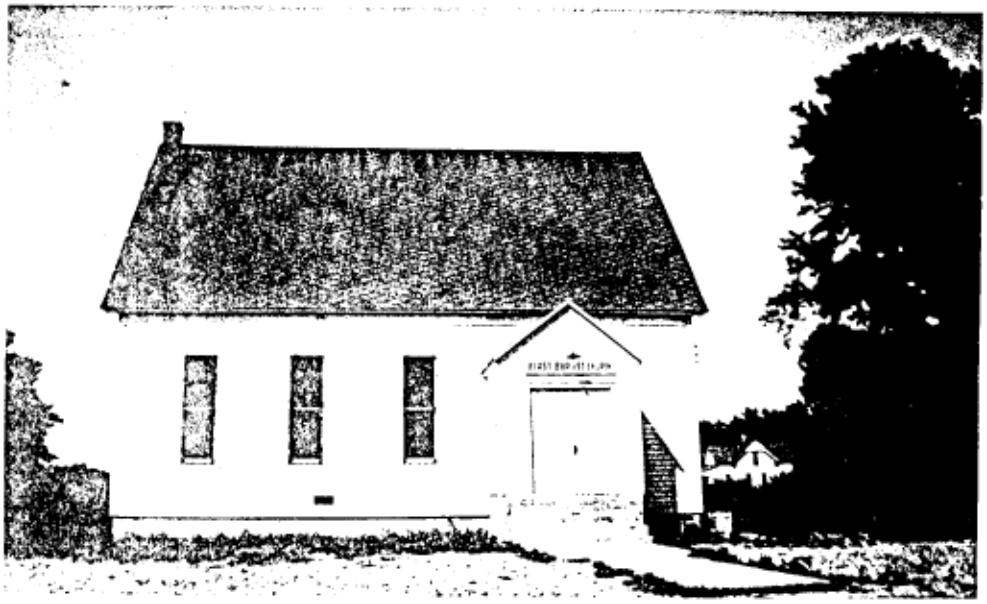
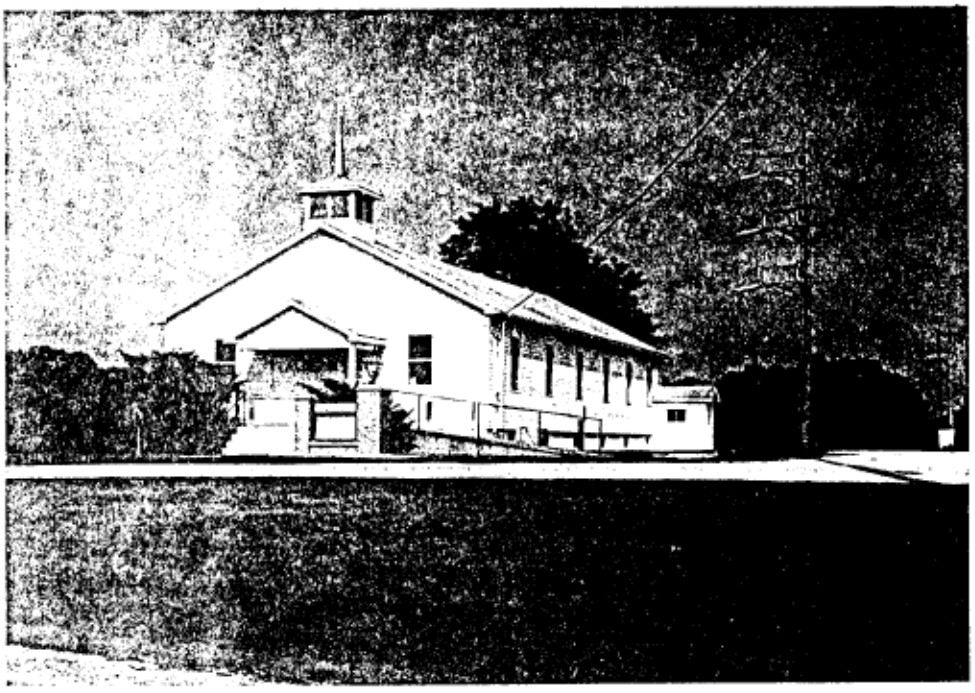


MILL CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH, MILL CREEK, IL

THE CHURCH AS IT IS TODAY - DEDICATED ON APRIL 5, 1959. (See p. 25.)



INTRODUCTION

Writing this brief history of the Mill Creek Baptist Church has taken much longer than I had anticipated. Many hours have been spent by me in researching old records and talking to the good and kind people connected with the Mill Creek Church and community. As you read, I believe you will learn much, as I did, about your Church's history.

I want to dedicate this brief history to all the past, present, and future members of the Church.

I am grateful for the past church clerks who have kept records and for the people who helped me find the misplaced records. I also want to thank my good wife, Bonnie Marie, my son, Brooks, and my daughter, Shawnna, who gave me their true support as I hid myself away from them.

Refer to the minutes of the church clerks as you read. If you should find any typographical errors, spelling or printing errors, incorrect dates, or omissions of names, please forgive me, and make the corrections. Any mistakes or errors have been made unintentionally with no malice intended.

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Gilbert Kohler
Novemer 18, 1996

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THE FIRST ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF

MILL CREEK, IL

(Writer's Note: Copied from the first minutes)

A recognition council consisting of Rev. I. N. Welty, Rev. H. W. Karraker, and Bro. Deacons J. B. Vick, Benny Sims, James Palmer, J. L. Moore, and Bro. S. M. Campbell was called for the purpose of recognizing the First Baptist Church of Mill Creek, IL, after examining the Articles of Faith and Church Covenant as adapted by the church as given by Pendeletons Church Manuel.

We the council deem them worthy of being recognized as an independent Missionary Baptist Church and commend them to the fellowship of Sister Churches.

Signed: J. H. Albright
Clerk of Elco Baptist Church

Rev. H. W. Karraker of Mission Chapel Church
Rev. I. N. Welty of Elco Baptist Church
Deacon I. B. Vick of Sandy Creek Baptist Church
Deacon James Palmer of Elco Baptist Church
Deacon Benny Sims of Elco Baptist Church
Deacon J. L. Moore of Mission Chapel Church
Deacon S. M. Campbell of Pleasant Valley Church

Prayer was offered by Rev. I. N. Welty. Charge given to the Church by Rev. H. W. Karraker and the fellowship was to the Church. Motion moved and second by the Church that the council adjourn.

Rev. H. W. Karraker, Moderator
Bro. J. H. Albright, Clerk

Mill Creek, IL, Nov. 18, 1896

We the Brethren and Sisters of Mill Creek, having been blessed with a gracious Revival of Religion of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Deem it necessary to organize a Baptist Church at this place. Therefore, after a sermon by Rev. J. C. Meyers, the work of the organization was begun.

First: Letters of Brothers and Sisters from Sister Churches was read and on motion and second. Eld. J. C. Meyers act as Mod.

Second: Motion and second that we organize a Baptist Church at this place.

Third: Motion carried That Bro. I. N. Welty act as clerk. Bro. Frank Lollis and wife Sister Rhoda Lollis of Cairo, IL, presented their letters which were read and approved, also Sister Manuva Brown of Dongola, IL.

Fourth: Motion carried that we declare our selves an independent body of the Church of Christ.

Fifth: Motion carried that we adopt the Articles of Faith and the Church Covenant as found in J. M. Pendletons Manuel.

Sixth: Motion carried that we a council of Recognition Council called and Recognized this to be a Church of Christ Charge given by Eld. H. W. Karraker.

Seventh: Motion carried to give opportunity for members whereas the following Brethren and Sisters came forward by experience and Baptism. Dollie Cauble, Theodira Christenberry, Myrtle Hindman, Mary Rineheart, Adaline Rollins, Mollie Combs, Mary Jones, Rhoda Hartman, Joseph Lessar, Mary Cauble, and Sarah Heileg.

The following was received under the watch care of the Church. H. G. Hindman, Burgeous Penrod, Jamis Combs, Hy Combs, William Winters, Elezabeth Hindman, William Combs, Mary Eader, and Elezabeth Combs. (Watch care of the church meant that they were received on the promise of a letter from another sister church of like faith and order.)

Wheras we met pursuant to adjournment, and the ordinance of Baptism was administered to Eleven willing canidates, by Eld. J. C. Meyers, and Deacon James Palmer of Elco Baptist Church.

Eld. Joseph Meyers, Mod.

Eld. I. N. Welty, Clerk

THE HISTORY OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

OF MILL CREEK, IL

The Church was organized with three charter members and eleven members by baptism. Church services were held in the old Cooper Shop on Cairo Street, near the place where the street runs into State Highway 127. Services continued being held there until land was obtained at the north end of the village of Mill Creek, and a new church building was constructed.

EARLY CHURCH RULES

The standard of conduct which the Mill Creek Baptist Church expected of its members was, from the first, exceedingly strict and very rigid. The rules of decorum provided that any male member who missed two meetings would be cited to the next meeting if a reasonable excuse was not rendered by some other member of the Church. Female members were required to attend as often as possible. If a male member missed more than three meetings without a good excuse, he would be dropped from the Church Roll.

Other reasons for a member being excluded from the Church Roll were: dancing, disorderly walk, heresy, indecent living, unchristian conduct, cursing, getting drunk, gossiping, and causing discouraging talk about the Church or other members.

Worship services were deeply religious, evangelical, and void of ritual. Hymns such as "Ring the Bells of Heaven," "Pass Me Not," and "Take the Name of Jesus with You" were sung, and prayers were offered by the pastor and by the members. In the worship services, there was a lot of shouting, hand clapping, and amens. At the close of the pastor's sermon, the unsaved were exhorted to accept Jesus Christ as their Saviour.

The first record of a ladies' organization in the Church was The Ladies' Aide. The women, most of them within walking distance of the Church, had all-day meetings and brought sack lunches. Quilting was the major project of the women. Another project was the tacking of carpet rags which were later woven into rugs. The quilts and rags were then sold. For each finished quilt, $1.00 was charged; later, there was a charge of one cent per yard of thread used in the quilting.

A second group of importance in the Church was the dedicated men who served as trustees. These men were the work force and backbone of the Church in taking care of the

physical needs of the building and the church ground. These men did all of the repairs, fixed the roof, painted the building, etc.

A third group of importance in the Church was the deacons. The Church had deacons from its earliest history with the deacon's role being that of a servant, assisting the pastor in his spiritual work and ministering to the needs of the congregation.

CHURCH COVENANT

Thanking God for the light we have received, and for the revelation of Jesus Christ which we now enjoy and hoping that God, for Christ's sake, has pardoned our sins; and having been baptized on profession of our faith in Christ Jesus into the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, we do, this day, before God and the world, with deep joy and great solemnity, enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ.

We therefore covenant and agree that by the aid of the Holy Spirit we will talk together in love and Christian fellowship. We promise to labor for the advancement and final triumph of the Church; to sustain her worship by attending the house of God and supporting the ministry; to guard her ordinances, enforce her discipline, and defend her doctrine.

We also pledge ourselves to walk circumspectly in the world; to be honest, just and faithful in our business relations; and, as God may give us help, we promise to live righteous and holy lives.

We further promise to watch over each other in brotherly love; to visit the sick; to pray for each other and the world; to aid the poor and needy, and to perform such other kind ofices as may be well-pleasing in the sight of God.

*This is the first Church Covenant, taken from J. R. Graves and Son Record Book, entered according to Act of Congress in the year of 1891 in the office of Congress at Washington.

RULES OF ORDER

These are Rules of Order from J. R. Graves and Son Record Book, entered according to Act of Congress in the year of 1981 in the office of the Librarian of Congress at Washington.

I. The pastor, or in his absence any member appointed, shall act as moderator of all business meetings of the church.

II. It shall be the duty of the moderator to keep order; and in case the Church is equally divided on any question, he shall give the casting vote, if a member; if not a member, he shall call on a member to preside until the question is settled.

III. The meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer.

IV. The order of business shall be:

1. Reading minutes of previous meeting.
2. The reception of members by experience or letter.
3. Granting letters of dismission.
4. Reports of committees.
5. Unfinished business.
6. New or miscellaneous business.

V. A motion before the Church must be disposed of before another motion can be entertained, unless the motion be to amend, postpone, adjourn, or call for a previous question.

VI. The moderator may speak on any question by calling on any brother to preside in his place, which he should do.

VII. Every member who speaks shall rise and first address the moderator.

VIII. The Church in conference shall entertain no proposition for discussion which has not been presented on motion of one member and second by another.

IX. On any point of order, a member may appeal from the moderator to the Church, whose decision shall be final.

X. All questions, except that on reception of members, shall be decided by the vote of a majority.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now, in the presence of God, angels, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintance; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rules of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.

*This is the Church Covenant found in present-day church literature and on display on the north wall in the auditorium where the Mill Creek Baptist Church meets.

CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF PASTORS OF THE MILL CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

1896-1996

This list of pastors was taken from the Annual Statistical Tables in the minutes of the Clear Creek Association and from the minutes of the church clerks of Mill Creek Baptist Church. By some pastors' names, dates are given to explain when the pastors were called by the Mill Creek Baptist Church. The minutes of the church clerks may contain additional dates which may be written down to make this a more accurate list. If any errors are found, make corrections. Any errors are unintentional.

1896	H. W. Karraker (12-19-1896)
1897-1899	W. W. Karraker
1899-1900	L. A. Russell (10-14-1899)
1901-1902	George Carlock (1-19-1901)
1903-1904	J. N. Edmondson
1905	J. B. Kelley (7-25-1905)
1906	J. B. Kelley
1907	H. W. Karraker (8-24-1907)
1908	H. W. Karraker
1909	John W. Bandy (7-17-1909)
1910	W. W. Hodge (3-20-1910)
1911-1914	H. W. Karraker (1-22-1911)
1915	Frank Sisk
1915-1916	J. T. Combs (7-24-1915)
1916-1918	W. C. Lockard (8-21-1916)

*NO 1917-1930 MILL CREEK CHURCH CLERK RECORDS WERE AVAILABLE AT THE TIME OF THIS WRITING.

1919	C. C. Young
1920	G. O. Foulon
1921	J. A. Needham
1922	J. W. Webb
1923	No Pastor
1924	C. B. Harris
1925-1928	H. W. Karraker
1929	D. H. Smith
1930	H. S. Smith (8-20-1930)
1931-1932	H. S. Smith

- 1896-1996 LIST OF PASTORS CONTINUED -

1933-1936	T. C. Ury (12-3-1933)
1937	J. F. Jones (5-30-1937)
1937-1938	H. S. Smith (10-10-1937)
1938-1940	S. F. Reeves (10-31-1938)
1941	Holbert Peterson (10-5-1941)
1942	Tellis Young
1943	Holbert Peterson (9-26-1943)
1944-1945	Eugene Dodd (12-31-1944)
1945-1946	A. M. Troutman (12-16-1945)
1947-1949	Robert E. Mann (10-5-1947)
1950-1951	Ray Wolf (8-2-1950)
1952	Robert Howard (1-9-1952)
1952-1954	Wayne Hull (11-6-1952)
1954-1957	Eugene Phillips (12-19-1954)
1957-1959	Kenneth Scherle (10-6-1957)
1959-1961	Eugene Hart (12-6-1959)
1962-1963	William Sanders
1963-1965	James Duke, Jr. (9-8-1963)
1965-1968	John Gilmore (8-4-1965)
1969-1972	Jess Garrison
1972-1975	Harold Pope (7-9-1972)
1976-1977	Dean Hamilton (3-3-1976)
1977-1980	Doyle Keller (8-28-1977)
1980-1988	Danny Miller (11-5-1980)
1989-1993	Jimmy Wilson
1993-1996	Bill Joyce (10-10-1993)
1996-	Raymond Oxford (10-27-1996)

MILL CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
MILITARY HONOR ROLL

Gerald Dillow
*Thelma Hase (Nurse)
Rex Dillow
Wayne Dillow
Harrell Miller
Henry Messamore
Howard Bowman
Richard Byrd
Herman Pfaff
Robert E. Mowery
William Holmes
Ray W. Brown
Bonnard Poole
DeWayne Moreland
Bruce Poole
Charles W. Harvel
James Harvel
Chester Nix
Harold Poole
Elmer Hartline
Weldon Lingle
Weldon Davis
Wayne Etherton
*Earl Poole (Killed)
Herman Houseman
Dempsey H. Harvel
Jack Miller
Homer Helton
Benton Vick
Ward Dillow
Dorris Barnhart
Coy Davis
Marvin Ervin
Jason Poat
George Spurlock
Lee Sheffer
Edgar Fuller
Forrest Lingle
Billy B. Hileman
Loyd Harvel
Edward Tucker

*Oris Hase (POW)
Byron Briner
Conrad Dillow
Troy Dillow
Vernon Miller
Leroy Barnhart
Paul Byrd
Louis McHughs
Perry Mowery
Robert W. Mowery
Wayne Hileman
Kifton Dillow
Lester Wheaton
Clifton Moreland
Terry Hileman
Thomas Harvel
Bill Joyce
James Carmack
Kenneth Minter
Oris Lingle
Glen Davis
Frank Wheaton
Earl Etherton
Darrel Jordan
Kenneth Lingle
Gilbert Miller
Bobby Mitchel
Wayne Barnhart
Perry Dillow
Ed Stone
Robert Davis
Larry Dillow
Robert Pecord
William Dillow
Charles Randolph
Ellis Dillow
Lee Bowman
Eugene Davis
Burton Dillow
Paul Mitchel
George Tucker

(MILITARY HONOR ROLL CONTINUED ON PAGE 12)

- MILITARY HONOR ROLL CONTINUED -

Gilbert W. Powles
Alfred Wheaton
Oran Kelley
George Lamb
Curtis Mullins
Marvin Davis
Frank Powles
*Ronnie Davis (Killed)
Merlin W. Pecord
DONALD HUNTER

Fred Jordan
Delbert McCommons
Chelsey Dover
Eugene Conley
*Wilmena Kohler (USMC)
Don Lynn
Ronald Hileman
Claud McGee
John W. Warren
Raymond Oxford

INTERESTING HIGHLIGHTS

These interesting highlights have been taken from the minutes of the First Baptist Church of Mill Creek, IL, beginning in November 1896 and concluding in November 1996:

November 29, 1896: A committee was picked to go to see Mr. Hase about renting the cooper shop for holding church services.

December 3, 1896: A committee was selected to find a lot of ground on which to build a church building.

December 19, 1896: A decision was made to build a church building.

December 19, 1896: Rev. H. W. Karraker was elected pastor for an indefinite time.

April 17, 1897: A motion was made and second that Bro. Hindman and Bro. Winters find a house to hold services in as the church has to give up this one we are presently in.

April 17, 1897: The Rules of Order as found in J. R. Graves Church Record Book was adopted.

June 20, 1897: The first delegates chosen to the Clear Creek Association were Bro. Deacon, W. D. Winters, Bro. B. F. Lollis, and Bro. J. R. Black. The alternate was Bro. W. M. Combs.

September 18, 1897: Bro. H. W. Karraker was elected pastor for the coming year.

March 19, 1898: New carpet was bought for the church at a cost of thirty cents per yard.

September 17, 1898: Bro. H. W. Karraker was elected to serve as pastor of the church until September 1899.

March 18, 1899: A motion carried for the buying of new seats for the church.

September 14, 1899: Bro. H. W. Karraker was elected as pastor for the coming year.

October 14, 1899: Bro. H. W. Karraker resigned as pastor.

October 14, 1899: Bro. L. A. Russell was elected to serve as pastor for the coming year.

January 19, 1901: Bro. George Carlock was called as pastor for one year.

June 23, 1901: A motion carried for the exclusion of all members from the Church would visit or vote for a saloon.

January 26, 1902: Bro. George Carlock was called as pastor for an indefinite time.

April 14, 1903: The Church voted to ask Bro. Carlock to resign as pastor.

May 2, 1903: The Church voted to have services on the second and fourth Wednesday nights for an indefinite time.

July 25, 1905: Bro. J. B. Kelley was elected as pastor for the coming year.

September 2, 1905: Mrs. George Lingle, Bro. James Combs, and Sis. Dorcia Christenberry were elected to act as a financial committee.

July 31, 1906: Bro. J. B. Kelley was called to preach half-time for the coming year.

October 14, 1906: The First Baptist Church of Mill Creek, IL, was dedicated October 14, 1906. After the congregation had sung several beautiful hymns and had prayer, Bro. J. N. Edmondson of Jonesboro, IL, preached the dedication sermon. The dedication prayer was led by the Mill Creek Church pastor, Bro. J. B. Kelley.

December 31, 1906: The Church voted to hold services half-time for the coming year.

January 13, 1907: A motion carried for the Church to license Bro. James Combs to preach the Word of God.

August 24, 1907: Bro. H. W. Karraker was elected as pastor.

July 17, 1909: Bro. John W. Bandy was called as pastor.

September 18, 1909: Bro. Clede Vick was licensed to preach the Word of God.

September 18, 1909: A motion was made for the ordaining of Bro. James T. Combs to preach the Word of God.

February 20, 1910: Sister Dorcia Christenberry resigned as Church Clerk.

February 20, 1910: Bro. C. W. Sharp was elected church clerk.

March 20, 1910: The amount paid on the pastor's salary was $26.60 with a balance due $11.84.

March 20, 1910: Bro. W. W. Hodge was elected Church pastor.

March 20, 1910: The Church agreed to pay the janitor $1.00 a month.

May 14, 1910: A motion was made to have communion once a year in May.

January 22, 1911, A motion was made to call as pastor, Bro. H. W. Karraker, for an indefinite length of time.

March 4, 1911: The Board of Trustees reported that the note which had been held by the Jonesboro Bank against the Church in the amount of $15.04 per-capital plus interest had been paid.

August 5, 1911: A motion was made that the church license Bro. Harley Vick to preach the Word of God.

July 6, 1912: The Church, for the first time, contributed to the Association's mission work, the amount being $5.00.

August 4, 1912: The Church voted to have one-half time preaching, if the Church could come up with the money to pay the preacher.

August 4, 1912: With Sister Elizabeth Combs being one of the oldest and most devoted Church members, a motion carried for keeping as a memorial to her consecrated service to the Church the chair in which Sister Combs sat during her many years of attendance at Church.

November 2, 1912: The Church voted to change the time for having communion from one time a year to two times a year.

December 1912: Due to an outbreak of scarlet fever, no Church services were held during the month of December in 1912.

January 2, 1913: The Treasurer's Report showed the total amount paid the pastor was $31.60 for September 1, 1912, to January 4, 1913, with a balance due the pastor of $16.40.

September 6, 1913: The Annual Report showed these amounts being paid: pastor's salary = $176.00; sexton's salary = $12.00; other expenses, including fuel, oil, and amount given to missions = $16.23. The total was $204.23.

August 27, 1913: The Church voted to hold preaching services quarter-time.

October 14, 1913: The Church voted to have half-time preaching.

January 31, 1914: The Church voted to raise the janitor's salary to $1.50 per month.

October 3, 1914: The Church voted to have one-fourth time preaching.

October 22, 1914: Bro. F. F. Lowry began a series of meetings which resulted in about fifty conversions with thirty-six additions to the Church: thirty-two by baptism and four by letter.

December 5, 1914: Bro. H. W. Karraker was elected as pastor.

March 6, 1915: Bro. Karraker said if the Church would pay him $11.00, he would give the Church a clear receipt for the full amount owed him by the Church. (Bro. Karraker gave $17.00 of his preaching salary.)

April 4, 1915: The Church Roll Call results were: out of a total of one hundred eighteen members, thirty-seven answered to their names.

June 26, 1915: The membership agreed to drop seventeen names from the membership because the seventeen members showed no interest in the Church.

July 24, 1915: Bro. James T. Combs was elected pastor for one year at one-fourth time for $12.50 per month.

September 25, 1915: Lightning struck the church building and knocked off the flue.

August 21, 1916: Bro. W. C. Lockard was elected pastor for one year at $16.00 per month.

October 5, 1916: A motion was made to buy envelopes to put collection in at the cost of $1.00 for 1000 envelopes.

October 14, 1916: Insurance premium which cost $16.48 for one year for church building insurance was not paid.

*1917-1930 CHURCH RECORDS ARE MISSING.

August 20, 1930: Bro. H. S. Smith was elected pastor for one year at one-half time at $20.00 a trip.

August 27, 1930: Bro. R. A. Dillow was elected Church Treasurer.

August 27, 1930: A motion carried to license Bro. Maynard Vick to preach the gospel.

August 2, 1931: The Church called Bro. H. S. Smith as pastor for one year for one-half time at $20.00 a trip.

July 22, 1932: Bro. H. S. Smith was elected pastor for the coming year with a vote of 62 for and 5 against.

November 22, 1932: C. W. Sharp, the Church Clerk, offered his resignation after serving faithfully as clerk for 22 years. His resignation was turned down by the Church; he served four more years and resigned on September 6, 1936.

September 3, 1933: Bro. Tom Ury was elected pastor for one-half time for one year at $15.00 a month.

September 26, 1933: Bro. Clyde Mowery was elected to serve as trustee.

March 31, 1934: The Treasurer's Report showed the pastor had been paid $193.46 for the year with a balance due the pastor of $46.54. (*Writer's note: It seems as if the Church had difficulty in paying the pastors' salaries.)

August 3, 1934: Bro. T. C. Ury was elected to serve as pastor for one year.

November 4, 1934: Bro. George Harvel was elected as a trustee.

June 1, 1935: A motion was made to have an ice cream social Saturday night, June 8, 1935.

August 3, 1935: The Church called Bro. T. C. Ury as pastor for one year at $25.00 a month.

October 4, 1936: The Church's trustees met with the highway department to discuss moving the church building.

December 6, 1936: Bro. T. C. Ury resigned as pastor.

December 6, 1936: The deacons were appointed to act as the pulpit committee.

May 30, 1937: The Church elected Bro. J. F. Jones as pastor.

October 10, 1937: The Church elected Bro. H. S. Smith as pastor for one year.

October 31, 1938: Bro. S. F. Reeves was elected pastor for one year.

November 2, 1938: A motion was made by the deacons and the elders of the Church to have electric lights installed in the church building.

July 15, 1939: An ice cream social was held for the benefit of the Church.

December 17, 1939: The Church agreed to pay the pastor's old age pension.

May 19, 1940: A motion was made to ordain as deacons Bros. Robert Smithey, Morris Hunter, and Van Dillow.

October 8, 1940: A motion was made to use curtains to make partitions for classrooms in the church building.

March 2, 1941: Bro. H. M. Meisenheimer gave three lots that were owned by the Congregational Church to the First Baptist Church.

March 2, 1941: The First Baptist Church did not accept the bell from Congregational Church.

March 2, 1941: The Ladies' Aide agreed to pay $5.00 on the communion set with the Church agreeing to pay the balance.

June 22, 1941: The deacons called a meeting to discuss buying the three lots from the Congregational Church. The motion carried to purchase the lots for $150.00.

June 22, 1941: A motion was made before the Church to hang a street light on the pole near the Church's property to give light.

October 5, 1941: Bro. Holbert Peterson was called to serve as pastor.

January 2, 1942: The janitor's salary was raised from $3.00 to $5.00 per month.

January 18, 1942: The Church agreed to pay the W.K.R.O. Radio Station a total of $5.00 for thirty minutes for broadcasting services.

February 5, 1942: A motion was made to rescind the motion to ordain as deacons Bro. Robert Smithey, Bro. Morris Hunter, and Bro. Van Dillow.

February 5, 1942: A motion carried to grant Bro. Roy Kohler the rocks from the Congregational Church for cleaning up the property.

March 5, 1942: The motion was made to elect as deacons Bro. Hallie Dillow, Bro. Morris Hunter, and Bro. Perry Dillow.

March 5, 1942: The Church voted to have THE ILLINOIS BAPTIST sent to each home.

March 5, 1942: The Church started a Training Union called B. Y. P. U.

May 10, 1942: The Church voted to buy screen wire for the church building's doors and windows.

May 17, 1942: The Church pledged to send $50.00 to help build the Baptist Foundation at Carbondale.

August 6, 1942: The Church agreed to postpone the moving of the church house until the war was over.

September 3, 1942: Bro. Hallie Dillow was elected Sunday School Superintendent, and Bro Harold Dillow was elected B. T. U. Director.

September 17, 1942: Bro Edgar Fuller was elected church clerk, and Bro. John D. Briner was elected janitor.

October 25, 1942: The Church bought two dozen new song books.

November 1, 1942: The Church decided to buy a board and list the names of young men and women who served in the armed services.

February 7, 1943: The Church elected Bro. Chester Fuller as church clerk.

September 5, 1943: Pastor Rev. Tillis Young resigned.

September 26, 1943: The Church elected Bro. Holbert Peterson to serve as pastor for half-time at $35.00 a trip.

December 5, 1943: Bro. John D. Briner resigned as janitor.

December 5, 1943: The Church voted to buy flowers for any deceased member of the Church.

April 6, 1944: A motion was made to pay the room rent, $10.00, to the contractor while he was moving the Church house.

April 16, 1944: Sixteen candidates, upon their profession of faith, were baptized by Bro. Holbert Peterson and became members of the Church.

May 11, 1944: A motion carried to discontinue the radio program.

October 1, 1944: The pastor, Rev. Holbert Peterson, resigned.

December 31, 1944: The Church voted to call Rev. Eugene Dodd to serve as pastor; Pastor Dodd was elected at $25.00 a trip, but the Church voted to raise his salary to $30.00 a trip.

January 10, 1945: Bro. Kenneth Wilson and Bro. Donald Hunter resigned as janitors.

January 10, 1945: The Briner family was hired as janitors.

January 10, 1945: The Church adopted a budged as follows: pastor's salary = $15.00 per week; janitor's salary = $1.25 per week; Sunday School literature = $1.55; Training Union literature = 80 cents; lights = 50 cents; coal = 50 cents; insurance = 30 cents; Cooperative Program - 25% of net received = $10.00; District Missions - .05% = $2.00; ILLINOIS STATE BAPTIST PAPER = 77 cents; Baptist Orphanage = .05%.

September 9, 1945: Rev. Eugene Dodd resigned as pastor.

October 9, 1945: Bro. George Dillow was elected as trustee.

December 16, 1945: Rev. A. M. Troutman was elected as pastor.

October 9, 1946: Bro. Clifford Copeland and his wife were elected as janitors.

October 9, 1946: The Church held an all-day service in observance of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Mill Creek Baptist Church. Bro. Clede Vick, who had served as Sunday School superintendent for twenty-six years in the early history of the Church, gave a talk. Rev. Henry Karraker, the first pastor of the Church and one serving as pastor at different intervals for a total of twelve years, presented the principal address.

August 6, 1947: Rev. A. M. Troutman offered his resignation as pastor.

October 5, 1947: Rev. Robert Mann was elected pastor for full-time at $30.00 a trip.

December 28, 1947: Sister Blanche Dillow Allen requested a letter to unite with the First Baptist Church of Elgin. Action was tabled until the Church could determine whether or not the Elgin church was of the Southern Baptist Convention.

February 18, 1948: The Church voted to write the Elgin church a letter stating that Sister Blanche Dillow Allen was a member in good standing in the Mill Creek Church and the Church does not grant letters outside its fellowship.

April 7, 1948: The Church has been relocated to the Congregational Church lots.

May 9, 1948: The Church accepted the bid of the Hi-Way Construction Co. of $250.00 for redecorating the interior of the church building and the bid of $475.00 for building the vestibule and walk for the front of the church building.

August 18, 1948: The Church voted to hire Bro. Weldon Lingle as janitor for $20.00 per month.

February 9, 1949: The Church voted to discontinue payment to the pastor's retirement fund.

February 8, 1950: The Church agreed to buy a new piano at Harrisburg, Illinois, for $250.00.

March 8, 1950: The Church agreed to send $15.00 to Cypress Baptist Church to help with their building program.

April 12, 1950: The Church voted to start construction on a new Church house south of the town of Mill Creek beginning May 1, 1951.

August 2, 1950: Rev. Ray Wolf was called as pastor.

December 13, 1950: The Church voted to raise the pastor's salary to $40.00 per week.

January 10, 1951: The Church appointed Bro. Merlin Pecord to get some coat hangers.

March 7, 1951: Sister Lucille Smithey was given authority to purchase two new chairs for the Church's rostrum with the Junior Ladies' Aide to pay for the chairs.

October 11, 1951: Rev. Ray Wolf resigned as pastor. A special collection was taken to buy for him a farewell present, a seventeen-jewel gold watch and chain.

December 5, 1951: Bro. LeRoy Lingle was elected church clerk.

January 2, 1952: The Church elected Sister Mildred Hileman and Bro. George to serve as janitors.

January 9, 1952: The Church called Rev. Robert Howard as pastor.

February 6, 1952: By letter, Bro. Silas Hase resigned as church clerk.

June 4, 1952: Bros. Carl Lingle, Oliver Smiddy, and John DeWitt were elected to serve as trustees.

September 10, 1952: A motion was made for Bro. John Hileman and Sister Mildred Hileman to serve as janitors.

November 6, 1952: The Church called Rev. Wayne Hull to serve as pastor for $40.00 per month.

January 14, 1953: The Church voted to pay $6.00 on the street light at the Lutheran Church.

July 8, 1953: A vote was taken to determine if the Church wanted the new church building to be built on the Hallie Dillow property. The results were sixteen voting for and thirty-two voting against. A vote was taken to determine if the new church building should be built on the site already occupied by the Church. The results were fifty-three voting for and thirty-two voting against.

December 9, 1953: The Church elected Sister Willie Ann Smiddy as janitor for $20.00 per month.

June 16, 1954: The Church game the deacons and trustees permission to lease the Brown building for Sunday School and Training Union classes.

June 16, 1954: A motion was made to have the trustees put the Church Covenant in a glass frame.

November 10, 1954: Bro. Wayne Hull resigned as pastor.

December 19, 1954: The Church called Rev. Eugene Phillips as pastor.

February 13, 1955: A motion was made to use the site already occupied by the church building for the new church building. The results were fifty-nine voting for and twelve voting against.

March 9, 1955: A motion was made to elect Bro. Weldon Lingle as trustee.

January 3, 1956: The Church voted to inspect Bro. Winfred Smithey's lots for a possible building site.

February 8, 1956: Pastor Eugene Phillips said that his traveling expenses were $15.00 a week and asked the Church to pay for his traveling expense. He was told that the $50.00 per week salary included the $15.00 traveling expenses.

October 10, 1956: The Church elected Bro. Jack Vick as janitor.

June 19, 1957: Rev. Eugene Phillips resigned as pastor.

October 6, 1957: Rev. Kenneth Scherle was called as pastor for $60.00 per week.

June 25, 1958: A motion was made to build the new church building on the Hallie Dillow land. A motion was made by Bro Hallie Dillow stating that if and when the building site is not used, the site is to return to the Hallie Dillow estate.

October 8, 1958: The Church voted to grant a letter for Bro. Harold Dillow and Sister Violet Dillow to unite with the First Baptist Church of Jonesboro, IL.

October 8, 1958: The Church authorized the treasurer to issue a check to Mr. Charley Mayberry for $7,000.00 for the construction of the new church building.

November 12, 1958: The Church voted to grant a letter for Bro. Rollie Dillow and Sister Gertrude Dillow to unite with the First Baptist Church of Jonesboro, IL.

- INTERESTING HIGHLIGHTS CONTINUED -

November 12, 1958: Mr. Clyde Goddard donated the lawn seed for the new site of the Mill Creek Baptist Church.

February 4, 1959: The Church paid $4,500.00 on the construction of the church building to Mr. Charley Mayberry, contractor.

February 4, 1959: The Church voted to purchase 125 new song books.

February 20, 1959: The Church voted to pay Mr. Charley Mayberry, contractor for the new church building, the balance owed him, $4,600.00.

February 20, 1959: The Church voted to change its banking from the First National Bank of Jonesboro, Il, to Anna State Bank, Anna, IL.

February 28, 1959: The Church paid J. W. Milligan Co. $230.00 for a new piano.

April 5, 1959: The new church building, located on the property donated by Hallie Dillow, was dedicated with Rev. Robert Mann delivering the message.

June 15, 1959: A motion was made to cut the pastor's salary back to $50.00 per week.

August 5, 1959: Bro. LeRoy Lingle resigned as church clerk.

September 9, 1959: The Church elected Bro. Winfred Smithey and Sister Lucille Smithey as janitors.

September 9, 1959: Rev. Kenneth Scherle resigned as pastor.

December 6, 1959: The Church voted on calling Rev. James E. Hart as pastor with the vote being a unanimous vote of forty-two voting for and no one voting against.

January 6, 1960: The Church voted to give Sister Lucille Smithey, janitor, a raise in salary of $20.00 per month.

January 8, 1960: A motion was made for the ownership of the lots on which the old Mill Creek Baptist Church sat to be transferred to Bro. Oliver Smiddy for a binding fee of $1.00.

July 1960: The Church voted to partition the basement area for classrooms. That same year the Mill Creek Baptist Church hosted the meeting of the Clear Creek Association.

July 5, 1961: The trustees bought tile for the basement floor at a cost of $46.00.

August 9, 1961: The Church gave the trustees authority to purchase a stainless steel steeple for the church building. The steeple was purchased at the cost of $52.44 from Frank Cavaness's Tin Shop.

August 31, 1961: The amount of $2.00 was paid to Charles E. McIntosh for recording the deed for the Church property.

September 6, 1961: A motion was made to have Sister Lorene Dillow give the Church an abstract for the land she had given to the Church for building a church building.

September 6, 1961: Rev. James E. Hart resigned as pastor.

October 31, 1961: The Church paid the amount of $50.00 to Mr. Charley Mayberry for putting the steeple on the church building.

May 9, 1962: A motion was made to accept the donation of stone from Mr. Neal Van Hoose for the purpose of building an announcement board in front of the church building.

September 1962: The Church celebrated the burning of the church note by holding an all-day service.

October 10, 1962: The Church approved the day of November 4, 1962, for the ordination service of Bros. Oliver Smiddy and Edward Stone as deacons.

July 7, 1963: A motion was made for determining the Church's vote in calling Rev. Bill Sanders as pastor for one more year.

September 8, 1963: The Church called Rev. James Duke as pastor.

October 9, 1963: The Church started the printing of its first bulletin for services.

August 5, 1964: Bro. John D. Briner offered his resignation as treasurer.

March 10, 1965: The Church voted to ordain Bro. Jack Wilson as deacon on May 16, 1965.

May 23, 1965: Rev. James Duke offered his resignation as pastor.

August 4, 1965: The Church voted to call Rev. John Gilmore as pastor.

August 4, 1965: The Church voted to rent the Frank Wheaton house for a parsonage at a cost of $30.00 per month.

August 4, 1965: Bro. Morris Hunter offered his resignation as deacon.

November 10, 1965: The Church voted to give Bro. Ronnie Davis $10.00 for the desk he had made for the pastor's Study.

December 8, 1965: The Church voted to allow Rev. John Gilmore to purchase a typewriter for $85.00.

January 12, 1966: The vote to put a lock on the piano was rescinded.

February 27, 1966: In a special business meeting called by the deacons and trustees, Bro. Merlin Pecord recommended that the Church purchase the Frank Wheaton property for a parsonage at the price of $3,500.00. The motion carried.

February 27, 1966: The Church gave the trustees the authority to borrow the money to purchase the Frank Wheaton property.

September 7, 1966: Bro. William Hartline was elected to serve as a trustee.

September 3, 1967: The Church agreed to purchase a projector from the Sunday School Board for a price of $410.00.

October 4, 1967: Bro. Guy Smithey was elected to serve as a trustee.

March 6, 1968: A donation of $500.00 was given anonymously for the purpose of redecorating the guest room in the parsonage.

May 17, 1968: Rev. John Gilmore offered his resignation as pastor.

July 10, 1968: A motion was made for the purchase of new pulpit chairs with the money being provided by the Carlos Poole Memorial Fund.

July 7, 1969: A motion carried for the painting of the exterior of the church building for the sum of $300.00 with the contractors, Fink and Slighiby, to furnish all of the paint.

May 5, 1971: A motion was made for the Church to buy a new lawn mower.

November 10, 1971: A motion was made for not asking quartets to present quartet singings during future revivals.

November 10, 1971: A motion was made for a community Thanksgiving Supper to be held in the church basement.

March 8, 1972: The Church agreed to purchase a new drinking fountain.

July 7, 1972: Rev. Jess Garrison resigned as pastor in order to attend the Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Missouri.

July 9, 1972: The Church called Rev. Harold Pope as pastor.

June 5, 1973: The Church agreed to have the exterior of the church building painted by Frank Hulen Construction Company for $400.00.

December 5, 1973: The Church accepted the gift of a new cook stove for the kitchen in the basement.

November 17, 1974: The Church agreed to purchase a new refrigerator for the kitchen in the basement at a cost of $287.95.

July 9, 1975: The Church agreed to having a new roof put on the church building.

December 14, 1975: Rev. Harold Pope offered his resignation as pastor.

March 3, 1976: The Church called Rev. Dean Hamilton as pastor.

October 6, 1976: Sister Doris Helton was elected as church clerk.

December 19, 1976: A special business meeting was called to discuss the purchasing of a church bus. The voting was done by ballot with the results of the voting as follows: twenty-six "no" votes and twenty-one "yes" votes. The motion did not carry.

March 9, 1977: Rev. Dean Hamilton tendered his resignation as pastor with the effective date to be May 27, 1977.

April 6, 1977: The motion carried for the reinstating of Rev. Dean Hamilton as pastor.

April 7, 1977: The motion did not carry for the removal of all deacons from office and the election of seven new deacons to serve in their places.

April 22, 1977: Rev. Dean Hamilton offered his resignation as pastor.

August 28, 1977: The Church called Rev. Doyle Keller as pastor.

October 5, 1977: The Church agreed to build a single-car garage at the parsonage.

April 6, 1978: Bro. George McCommons reported to the Church that he feels the call to be a deacon.

May 10, 1978: The first Sunday in June, 1978, 2:00 P.M., was set as the day for the ordination of Bro. George McCommons as deacon.

May 23, 1979: A motion was made for Bro. Donald Lynn to complete the remainder of the church year as treasurer.

May 30, 1979: The Briner family expressed its wishes to give a memorial gift to the Church in memory of Bro. John D. Briner.

August 8, 1979: The Church agreed to purchase a fireproof safe.

February 6, 1980: The Church voted to write a letter of thanks to acknowledge the gift of the Bro. John D. Briner Memorial Fund. The gifts of a Bible stand, offering plates, and urns were placed on the table in front of the pulpit in the auditorium.

April 2, 1980: The Church accepted an outside bulletin board from Bro. Matthew Davis as a memorial to the Davis family.

May 7, 1980: The Church donated $1,000.00 to the Clear Creek Baptist Association building.

October 6, 1980: Rev. Doyle Keller resigned as pastor.

November 5, 1980: Rev. Danny Miller was called as pastor.

September 21, 1981: The Church agreed to install gutters on the church building.

October 7, 1981: The installation of vinyl siding on the exterior of the church building was begun. The vinyl was purchased from the Anna Building Center at a cost of one-third of the money or $1,600.00 before the work was to begin, another one-third was to be paid at 75 per cent completion, and the remainder, $1,650.00, was to be paid when the job was finished.

March 10, 1982: A motion was made for the trustees to check to determine if new vinyl siding was second grade.

March 9, 1983: A motion was made to install hand rails on the back stairs going down to the basement. Pastor Danny Miller volunteered to furnish the material and do the work as a gift to the Church.

March 9, 1983: The Church accepted the donation of a new public address system by Bro. Bon Kohler.

September 7, 1983: The Church voted to install ceiling fans with lights in the auditorium.

March 4, 1984: The Will of Leonard Goodman designated $1,000.00 of the Leonard Goodman estate for Mill Creek Baptist Church.

March 16, 1984: New lights for the auditorium were purchased from Cape Lighting Center for the sum of $535.51.

May 2, 1984: The hardwood floors in the auditorium were sanded and refinished.

October 9, 1985: A fan was presented to the Church by Bro. Donald Lynn and Sister Jean Lynn in memory of Bro. Roy Powles.

September 28, 1986: New carpet was installed in the auditorium by Hodge's Furniture at a cost of $2,330.00.

December 18, 1986: The auditorium was repainted by Paul Garner for the price of $286.00.

November 27, 1987: In memory of the dedicated service of their youth leader, Sister Doris Helton, the Mill Creek Baptist Youth held a memorial service for the planting of six soft maple trees on the church lawn. On a later date, August 9, 1989, a plague was placed near the trees. For the trees, the youth paid Housman's Florist $90.00; for the plague, the youth paid Reynold's Monument Co. $200.00.

January 31, 1988: A central air-conditioning system was installed in the church building by Middleton Heating and Air Conditioning at a cost of $4,365.00.

April 6, 1988: William Dillow gave to the Mill Creek Baptist Church one-half acre of ground located across the highway, Rt. 127, in front of the church building.

May 5, 1989: A new septic tank was purchased for the church building from Shelchis Concrete Co. at a cost of $280.00.

December 6, 1989: A new well for the Church was dug north of the church building by Beanland Drilling at a cost of $2,707.70.

January 10, 1990: A motion carried to observe Race Relations Day and to call a Negro minister to fill the pulpit.

February 7, 1990: Rev. Mike Wade was called to fill the pulpit on Race Relations Day, February 11, 1990.

May 22, 1990: The Church had C. W. Harvel Construction Co. install a wheel chair ramp and repair the sidewalk at the cost of $800.00 with all labor and materials being furnished by C. W. Harvel Construction Co.

February 4, 1992: A motion was made to install new carpeting on the second floor of the parsonage and to repaint the bathroom walls.

April 8, 1992: A motion was made for the youth to clean the vinyl siding and outside walls of the church building for $100.00.

July 8, 1992: A motion was made to contract Wayne Bingham to paint the exterior of the parsonage at a cost of $1,015.00.

November 4, 1992: The Church voted to observe Saturday, February 27, 1993, from 7:00 A.M. until 8:30 P.M., as a day of prayer for the Mill Creek congregation and to leave the auditorium open for those wanting to come in to pray.

March 10, 1993: The motion carried for Rev. Jimmy Wilson to serve as pastor until his resignation in June 1993.

October 10, 1993: The Church called Rev. Bill Joyce as pastor.

January 5, 1994: The Church agreed to build a new nursery in the classroom upstairs with Bro. Leroy Barnhart doing the work.

February 16, 1994: The Church voted to pad the pews in the auditorium at a cost of $480.25.

February 16, 1994: The Church parking lot was graveled by G. & C. Enterprizes at a cost of $1,309.68.

March 16, 1994: A new VCR was purchased.

April 6, 1994: A motion was made to purchase a new four-to-five drawer file cabinet for the Pastor's Study.

June 8, 1994: Parking areas for the handicapped were designated on the church parking lot.

January 4, 1995: The Church agreed to use the $900.00 received for easement across the church parking lot from Ameritech Company to replace the old copy machine. A new copy machine was purchased from Superior Office Products, Cape Girardeau, MO, at a cost of $1,587.00.

November 8, 1995: The Church voted to ordain Bro. Gilbert Kohler as deacon.

December 6, 1995: The use of the sound equipment valued at $1,800.00 was donated by Bro. Gilbert Kohler with the equipment, while in the church building, to be covered by the church insurance policy in case of fire or theft; if purchased new, the equipment would cost approximately $4,000.00. Bro. Gilbert retained the right to use his equipment for personal use outside the church building.

- INTERESTING HIGHLIGHTS CONTINUED -

December 17, 1995: Bro. Gilbert D. Kohler was ordained as deacon.

January 29, 1996: The Church began the remodeling of the church basement. Expenditures were as follows: materials and supplies - $3,128.38; labor - $2,455.00; miscellaneous trash hauling - $125.00. The total of all costs was $5,708.38.

February 7, 1996: The Church voted to observe the week of November 18 - November 24, 1996, as a special week of celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Mill Creek Baptist Church, founded on November 18, 1896. The former pastors who were to be contacted were: Bros. Jim Duke, Jess Garrison, John Gilmore, Dean Hamilton, Gene Hart, Doyle Keller, Danny Miller, Harold Pope, Bill Sanders, Kenneth Scherle, and Jimmy Wilson.

May 23, 1996: The fluorescent lights for the basement and the toner for the copy machine were donated by Rev. Bill and Sister Ruth Joyce with the amount totaling $716.00.

June 2, 1996: Rev. Bill Joyce resigned as pastor.

June 5, 1996: The Annie Armstrong offering, taken over a period of five consecutive Sundays, totaled $553.18, surpassing the goal of $500.00 by $53.18.

June 5, 1996: Sister Bonnie Kohler made a motion to call a halt to the basement work and let the building funds rebuild.

July 31, 1996: Sister Bonnie Kohler offered her resignation as song leader with the effective date being the last Sunday in the 1995-96 Church Year.

July 10, 1996: Bro. Bon Kohler suggested he would like to have permission to purchase a picnic table and set it up permanently in the new parking lot west of the church building. Bro. Bon said he would donate his time and any labor in order for the youngsters of the Church to have a picnic area. A discussion followed regarding the children's safety in crossing the highway. Bro. Bon withdrew the suggestion, thus ending the discussion.

August 29, 1996: Lights were installed on the three fans in the auditorium at a cost of $153.76.

October 19, 1996: The youth director, Sister Gail Short, and Bro. Dean Short were responsible for securing a chartered bus and providing transportation which allowed thirty-nine youth and adults to visit Six Flags for the day.

October 27, 1996: Bro. Raymond Oxford was called to serve as pastor.

October 28, 1996: A Halloween party was hosted by the youth and Director Gail Short in the basement with an attendance of twenty-four.

November 6, 1996: For the records of the church clerk, the dates of October 25, November 1, and November 8, 1996, were designated as work days for completing the work in the basement and for general cleaning.

November 6, 1996: The Church voted for Sister Shirley Harvel to be the chairperson for the annual Thanksgiving Supper, November 26, 6:30 P.M.

November 6, 1996: The Church voted for Bro. Gilbert Kohler to purchase a public address system for the auditorium with the estimated cost being $600.00.

MILL CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
MILL CREEK, ILLINOIS

November 18, 1896 - November 18, 1996

Statements like these were heard in 1896:

"...the crazy people meetin' in the old Cooper Shop is just a passing fad..."

"...it won't last six months..."

With God's blessings, the work of the people has lasted one hundred years, beginning on November 18, 1896, with only three members. Over the past century, approximately 860 members have been added to fill the need for workers.

The Church has survived through some extremely sad times and, on the other hand, has experienced some wonderfully happy times. We must keep praying that we will continue, with God's help and the work of the Holy Spirit, to follow our Saviour faithfully and carry out the Great Commission given to us by Him.

Throughout the first one hundred years of the Church's history, twenty-four church trustees, seven church treasurers, fifteen church clerks, and fourteen deacons have served.

CHURCH TRUSTEES

Bro. Jacob Meisenheimer	August	20,	1898
Bro. Clyde Mowery	September	26,	1933
Bro. George Harvel	November	4,	1934
Bro. Van Dillow	November	4,	1934
Bro. George Dillow	October	9,	1945
Bro. Carl Lingle	June	4,	1952
Bro. Oliver Smiddy	June	4,	1952
Bro. John DeWitt	June	4,	1952
Bro. John D. Briner	December	8,	1954
Bro. Weldon Lingle	November	9,	1955
Bro. Willie Hartline	September	7,	1966
Bro. Guy Smithey	October	4,	1967

LIST OF CHURCH TRUSTEES CONTINUED

Bro. Bill Kasper	1976
Bro. Bon Kohler	1977
Bro. Matthew Davis	1978
Bro. George McCommons	1979
Bro. Don Lynn	1979
Bro. Elijah Davis	1981
Bro. Terry Tucker	1983
Bro. Fred Pender	1983
Bro. Bill Poat	1984
Bro. Bobby Poole	1985
Bro. Dean Short	1995
Bro. Chuckie Harvel	1995

The present church trustees are Bros. Chuckie Harvel, Bon Kohler, and Dean Short.

CHURCH TREASURERS

Bro. Jacob Meisenheimer	November 18, 1896
Bro. Clede Vick	September 21, 1907
Bro. R. A. Dillow	August 27, 1930
Bro. John D. Briner	September 9, 1959
Bro. Donald Lynn	May 23, 1979
Bro. David Carter	May 1, 1991
Bro. Gilbert Kohler	November 8, 1995

The present church treasurer is Bro. Gilbert Kohler.

CHURCH CLERKS

Bro. B. F. Lollis	November 18, 1896
Sis. Darcia Christenberry	August 18, 1899
Bro. C. W. Sharp	February 20, 1910
Bro. Elbert Sheffer	January 22, 1936
Sis. Della Bradley	February 26, 1936
Bro. Owen V. Knupp	November 1, 1936
Bro. Edgar Fuller	March 17, 1942
Bro. Chester Fuller	September 2, 1943

LIST OF CHURCH CLERKS CONTINUED

Bro. Silas Hase	December	4,	1946
Bro. LeRoy Lingle	December	5,	1951
Bro. E. L. Stone	September	16,	1959
Sis. Doris Helton	October	6,	1976
Bro. Bill Poat	October	7,	1986
Sis. Suzanne Carter	October	6,	1987
Sis. Ruth Steck	November	8,	1995
Bro. E. L. Stone, pro tem	Septemer	4,	1996

The present church clerk is Bro. E. L. Stone.

CHURCH DEACONS

Bro. W. G. Hindman	August	18,	1898
Bro. B. F. Lollis	January	15,	1899
Bro. Henry Combs	November	18,	1903
Bro. H. W. Brown	December	23,	1905
Bro. Jacob Meisenheimer	December	23,	1905
Bro. George Lingle	December	23,	1905
Bro. Hallie Dillow			1942
Bro. Morris Hunter	March	6,	1950
Bro. Merlin Pecord	November	4,	1962
Bro. Oliver Smiddy	November	4,	1962
Bro. E. L. Stone	Novemer	4,	1962
Bro. Jack Wilson	May	16,	1965
Bro. George McCommons	June	7,	1978
Bro. Gilbert Kohler	December	17,	1995

The present deacons are Bros. George McCommons, E. L. Stone, and Gilbert Kohler.

RECORD OF REVIVALS FROM 1905-1933

December 5, 1905: Meetings held by Bro. J. B. Kelley; twenty-two additions to Church Roll, seventeen by baptism and five by letter

October 1914: Meetings held by Bro. I. F. Lowery; about fifty conversions with thirty-six additions to Church Roll; new converts baptized November 8, 1914

March 1917: Meetings held by Bro. W. C. Lockard; forty-two conversions with thirty-five additions to Church Roll; April 20, 1917, date of baptisms

October 1928: Meetings held by Bro. H. S. Smith; twenty-five conversions and four received by letter

November 1930: Meetings held by Bro. Marion Wilson; fifty-seven conversions with forty-six additions to Church Roll

October 1931: Meetings held by D. H. Smith; eight conversions and twelve additions to Church Roll

October 1933: Meetings held by Bro. T. C. Ury; thirteen conversions and fifteen additions to Church Roll

RECORD OF MEN LICENSED TO PREACH THE WORD OF GOD BY THE MILL CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

January 13, 1907: Bro. James Combs

September 18, 1909: Bro. Clede Vick

August 5, 1911: Bro. Harley Vick

August 27, 1930: Bro. Maynard Vick

First Baptist Church

of Mill Creek, Il

Listed below are the names of members of the Mill Creek Baptist Church from 1896 to 1996. "B* means received by Baptism. L* means received by letter.

"A"

B. JOHN ADAMS	3-28-1906
B. ADA ADAMS	12-17-1905
B. FRANCIS ATCHISON	6-18-1896
B. MAMIE ALLEN	11-18-1896
B. RUTH ANGEL	11-01-1940
B. LORA ALLEN	5-04-1919
B. MARTIN ALLEN	11-01-1931
B. BLANCH ALLEN	12-10-1926
B. VILOT ALLEN	5-07-1939
B. CAROL ARNOLD	3-04-1956
B. ODELL ARNOLD	11-26-1950
B. HELEN ARNOLD	6-01-1941
B. LEITHA ARNOLD	3-30-1955
B. CONNIE ARNOLD	9-07-1958
B. DARLENE ARNOLD	9-07-1958
B. VICKIE ARNOLD	10-25-1964
B. CATHY ARNOLD	11-01-1964

"B"

L. MANERIVA BRINER	11-18-1896
L. J. R. BLACK	2-12-1897
B. W. C. BALDWIN	1-05-1898
L. SARA BLACK	7-18-1898
B. VISA BOWMAN	3-17-1900
B. LEWIE BROWN	2-19-1900
B. WILL BOWMAN	1-19-1900
B. BEN BOWMAN	2-04-1903
B. EDDIE BOWMAN	2-04-1903
L. WATT BROWN	4-25-1903
L. MINNIE BROWN	4-25-1903
L. LETHA BOWMAN	7-08-1903
B. LUTHER BOWMAN	1-24-1903
B. ADA BOWMAN	12-24-1905
B. MAUDE BROWN	12-17-1905
B. LAUSON BROWN	12-17-1905
B. RUTH BALDWIN	11-28-1905
B. AGNUS BOWMAN	12-24-1905
B. MABLE BALDWIN	11-18-1914
B. GEORGE BROWN	11-08-1914
L. MANERIVA BROWN	18-18-1896
B. W. E. BALDWIN	1-28-1906
B. AMANDA BOWMAN	10-21-1906
B. MARY BOWMAN	1-19-1901
B. WILL BOWMAN	1-19-1901
L. W. J. BOWMAN	10-27-1909
L. DELLA BRADLEY	10-24-1909
B. MARIEL BRADLEY	5-20-1917
B. JACK BARKER	5-20-1917
B. EVA BARKER	5-20-1917
B. ROB BROWN	1-09-1921
B. MAMIE BROWN	1-09-1921
L. JOSEPH BARKER	2-16-1924
B. EDDIE BRINER	10-21-1928
B. JOHN BALLARD	10-28-1928
B. ELLEN BALLARD	10-28-1928
B. ROSIE BALLARD	10-28-1928
L. ARABELL BALDWIN	6-30-1929
B. GERTIE BROWN	1-09-1921
B. ROBERT BRADLEY	11-23-1930
B. BERTHA BRINER	11-23-1930
L. LAURA BRIDGES	4-25-1903
B. AMES BALDWIN	12-24-1905
B. NINA BALDWIN	11-10-1907
B. MABLE BALDWIN	11-18-1914
B. LEROY BARNHART	5-05-1940
B. MILDRED BARNHART	5-05-1940
B. JOHN D. BRINER	11-23-1940
B. EVERETT BROWN	4-16-1949
B. CHARLES BROWN	3-18-1953
B. JERRY BOYD	4-01-1953
B. MARGO BOYD	4-01-1953
B. LILLIE BOWMAN	11-01-1931
L. BARNEY BARKER	11-05-1933
L. MARTHA BARKER	11-01-1933
B. BYRON BRINER	1-20-1936
B. GLENN BROWN	8-07-1938
B. PEARL BRINER	5-07-1939
B. ETHEL BARKER	8-07-1939
B. WAYNE BARNHART	5-07-1939
B. MADGE BRADLEY	11-01-1931
B. CLYDE BARNHART	11-05-1939
B. THOMAS BRADLEY	11-05-1940
B. GERTIE BROWN	1-09-1921
B. WILDA BOURLAND	12-13-1943
B. LULABELL BARKER	9-19-1948
L. ROY BOONE	9-12-1963

"B"

A.	ALICE BOONE	9-22-1963
B.	TED BEANLAND	9-22 1968
B.	PEARL BARNHART	1991
B.	JANICE BUCHETTE	4-09-1995
B.	LYNN BUCHETTE	4-09-1995
B.	KENNETH BEAN	6-10-1951
B.	WELDON BROWN	10-21-1951
L.	INEZ BEAN	2-05-1953
B.	CHARLES BROWN	9-03-1953
B.	LOU BIRDMAN	5-05-1940
B.	RAYMOND BRIMM	4-08-1959
B.	LULA BRIMM	4-08-1959
B.	MARY STINSON BROWN	11-26-1950
L.	NANCY BEANLAND	6 1986
B.	EVERETT BROWN	4-16-1949
B.	ROBERT BRADLEY	11-23-1930
B.	BERTHA BRINER	11-23-1930
B.	WILLIAM BALDWIN	11-28-1931
B.	WELDON BARNHART	4-03-1949
B.	LILLIE BOWMAN	11-01-1931
B.	JACKSON L. BEAN	6-10-1951
B.	CECILA BEAN	6-10-1951

"C"

B.	DOLLY CAUBLE	11-18-1896
B.	MARY CAUBLE	11-18-1896
B.	T. CHRISTENBERRY	11-18-1896
B.	MOLLY COMBS	11-18-1896
B.	JAMES COMBS	11-18-1896
L.	HENRY COMBS	11-18-1896
L.	ELIZABETH COMBS	7-21-1907
B.	FRANKIE CAUBLE	7-13-1905
L.	J. R. CHAPMAN	7-21-1901
L.	OLEIVA CHATHAM	7-21-1901
L.	BENNIE CHATHAM	1-24-1903
B.	JOSSIE COMBS	12-24-1905
B.	LIZZIE COMBS	12-24-1905
B.	ROSIE COMBS	11-28-1906
B.	MAGGIE CASTLEMAN	11-01-1907
B.	MYRTLE CHANDLERS	11-18-1896
B.	NORA COMBS	7-02-1911
L.	CORA CLUTTS	11-08-1914
B.	CLARA COMBS	11-08-1914
B.	LEE COOK	11-08-1914
B.	CLARENCE CAUBLE	11-08-1914
B.	NELLIE CRUSE	3-20-1955
B.	MARGARET CAMPBELL	11-23-1930
B.	CINDY COBB	11-14-1932
B.	DEMOVA CRUSE	7-03-1966
B.	MATTHEW CURRIE	4-11-1971
B.	GRACE CURRIE	4-11-1971
B.	JEANNIE CURRIE	4-11-1971
B.	KATHY CURRIE	10-22-1972
L.	WILLIAM COMBS	11-18-1896
B.	HATTIE COPLAND	11-23-1930

"C"

B.	BERNEICE COPLAND	11-23-1930
B.	ELSIE CATTS	10-26-1928
B.	WILLIE COPLAND	11-23-1930
B.	FRANK COPLAND	11-30-1930
B.	IRMA COPLAND	11-30-1930
B.	GAYLE CONANT	5-07-1939
B.	CLIFFORD COPLAND	9-16-1949
B.	VILOT CLINE	7-20-1947
B.	BEULAH COPELAND	5-02-1948
B.	JOHN CAMPBELL	3-08-1953
B.	W. C. CRUSE	3-20-1955
B.	THOMAS CRUSE	4-12-1956
B.	KAY SUE CRUSE	4-18-1956
B.	RALPH COLE	1-28-1959
B.	RAYMOND COLE	1-28-1959
B.	LINDA CONLEY	6-19-1960
B.	BEAVERLY CLINE	4-24-1966

"D"

B.	MATTIE DILLOW	1-13-1901
B.	JAMES DAVAULT	12-17-1905
B.	ANNIE DAVIS	12-17-1905
B.	EDITH DAVIS	12-17-1905
B.	CORA DAVIS	1-13-1900
B.	BESSIE DYE	1-24-1903
B.	HARRISON DAVIS	9-03-1911
B.	GROVER DAVIS	9-03-1911
B.	ERTHA DAVIS	11-08-1914
B.	RAELIGH DILLOW	11-08-1914
B.	GERTUDE DILLOW	11-08-1914
B.	MINA DAVIS	5-20-1917
B.	JANETT DILLOW	12-05-1937
B.	VIOLET DILLOW	6-07-1938
B.	FERN DeSPAIN	5-07-1939
B.	GILBERT DeWITT	5-07-1939
B.	GAYLE DILLOW	5-07-1939
B.	WELDON DAVIS	5-07-1939
B.	REX DILLOW	5-05-1940
B.	HALLIE DILLOW	5-05-1940
B.	WAYNE DeWITT	5-05-1940
B.	LOA MAY DAVIS	5-05-1940
B.	KIFTON DILLOW	5-05-1940
B.	OPAL DILLOW	11-30-1930
B.	CARRIE MAY DILLOW	1-20-1936
B.	WAYMAN DAVIS	5-05-1940
B.	LADONNA DAVIS	4-15-1956
B.	VIOLA DAVIS	4-15-1956
B.	CHESTY DOVER	5-24-1995
B.	HAROLD DILLOW	10-21-1928
B.	ELLA DILLOW	10-19-1926
B.	LORENE DILLOW	11-18-1923
B.	CLIFTON DAVIS	11-23-1930

"D"

B.	MARY DE WITT	12-12-1943
B.	ADA ANN DILLOW	5-02-1948
B.	LOUISE DILLOW	5-02-1948
B.	GERALD DILLOW	5-02-1948
B.	MARCELLA DILLOW	5-02-1948
B.	GEORGE DILLOW	5-01-1946
B.	JEAN DE WITT	9-19-1948
B.	JAMES DILLOW	9-19-1948
B.	LULABELLE DILLOW	9-19-1948
B.	LORENE DE WITT	12-08-1950
B.	DANIEL DAVIS	11-26-1950
B.	OPAL DAVIS	11-26-1950
B.	PHILLIP DILLOW	4-17-1960
B.	CALVIN DE WITT	7-13-1960
B.	JESSIE DE WITT	7-13-1960
L.	JAMES DUKE JR.	9-08-1963
L.	PAULENE DUKE	9-08-1963
L.	MICHAEL DAVIDSON	1990
B.	RUBY DILLOW	2-27-1922
B.	GEORGE DILLOW	11-18-1923
B.	MATHEW DAVIS	11-30-1930
B.	ELIJAH DAVIS	11-05-1933
B.	HAZEL DAVIS	3-08-1933
B.	OPAL DILLOW	11-30-1930
B.	STELLA DEMING	11-18-1956
B.	ROBERT DAVIS	4-17-1960
B.	COY LEE DAVIS	4-17-1960
B.	EDITH DODSON	5-30-1965
B.	EVERET DODSON	4-15-1979
B.	LORI DILLOW	1-14-1973
B.	SHARON DODSON	11-15-1981
B.	JOHN DODSON	5-24-1981
B.	SHARON DILLOW	11-15-1981
B.	BRUNO DILLOW	5-05-1940
B.	STELLA DILLOW	5-05-1940
B.	MARVIN DAVIS	4-17-1960
B.	ZOE DILLOW	11-18-1923
B.	OSCAR DE SPAIN	5-24-1925
B.	FREDA DICKERSON	11-18-1923
B.	RUBY DODSON	5-24-1925
B.	EUGENE DAVIS	11-23-1930
B.	MILDRED DILLOW	11-23-1930
B.	CLIFFORD DAVIS	11-23-1930
B.	PERRY DILLOW	11-23-1930
B.	VIRGINIA DILLOW	11-23-1930
B.	EVELINE DAVIS	11-23-1930
B.	WARD DILLOW	11-30-1930
B.	RUTH DILLOW	11-01-1931
B.	MADGE DILLOW	11-01-1931
B.	IVA DILLOW	1-06-1934
L.	OPAL DAVIS	1-20-1936
L.	COLLIN DUNN	1-20-1936
L.	GLADYS DAVIS	1-20-1936
B.	BURTON DILLOW	12-05-1937
B.	VIOLA DAVIS	11-26-1950
B.	JO ANN DE WITT	11-26-1950
B.	JOHN DE WITT	4-08-1951
B.	CARL DE WITT	4-08-1951
B.	DONALD DE WITT	4-10-1951
B.	PATRICA DILLOW	9-07-1958
B.	SEREDA DAVIS	11-18-1956
L.	ERNEST DILLOW	4-08-1959
L.	VERNA DILLOW	4-08-1959
B.	DOROTHY DAVIS	8-09-1959
B.	RONNIE DAVIS	4-17-1960
B.	JOHN DEMING	3-21-1969
B.	CALVIN DE WITT	7-13-1960
B.	JESSIE DE WITT	7-13-1960
L.	MICHAEL DAVIDSON	1990

"E"

L.	CHARLES EAST	1-10-1960
L.	EUNICE EUDY	1-08-1960
B.	NANCY ERVIN	10-09-1994
B.	MARVIN ERVIN	10-09-1994
L.	MARY A. EADER	11-18-1896
L.	JOSEPH EADER	9-19-1909
B.	HESTER EDDLEMAN	5-20-1979
L.	MRS. G. ETHERTON	12-21-1940
L.	CLARA EAST	1-10-1960

"F"

L.	VICTOR FRANKLIN	3-03-1918
L.	LENA FOUTCH	3-03-1918
B.	GRACE FOUTCH	5-22-1932
B.	IRENE FISHER	1-20-1936
B.	EDGAR FULLER	5-05-1940
B.	BERNICE FULLER	5-05-1940
L.	FREDA FULLER	1-19-1941
L.	ZORA FULLER	1-19-1941
L.	CHESTER FULLER	1-19-1941
B.	HELEN FULLER	1-19-1941
B.	VIRGINIA FOX	12-05-1937
B.	CECIL FREEMAN	11-21-1943
B.	RUTH FREEMAN	11-21-1943
B.	GLENN FULLER	4-16-1944
B.	ELMA FULLER	3-17-1946
B.	CECIL FREEMAN, JR.	7-20-1947
B.	FAYE FULLER	9-19-1948
B.	DON FULLER	4-03-1949
B.	FORD FULLER	3-08-1953

"F:

B.	JAMES FRENCH	3-08-1953
B.	CLARENCE FRENCH	3-08-1953
L.	FRED FERGUSON	12-05-1956
L.	ILEAN FERGUSON	12-05-1956
B.	JANET FERGUSON	6-28-1959

"G"

B.	CHARLIE GOODMAN	1-13-1900
B.	HERMAN GOODMAN	1-13-1900
L.	MARANDA GOODMAN	10-19-1909
L.	ARLIE GRUNLE	11-08-1914
L.	DAISY GRUNLE	11-08-1914
L.	GRABARIL GRAVES	7-17-1915
B.	ORDELL GOODMAN	11-05-1939
B.	WANDA GOODMAN	11-05-1939
B.	ELSIE GOODMAN	10-21-1923
B.	LIDDIE GOODMAN	11-23-1930
B.	FRANK GOODMAN	11-23-1930
B.	EMMIE GOODMAN	5-07-1939

"H"

B.	MIRTLE HINDMAN	11-18-1896
B.	ELIZABETH HINDMAN	11-18-1896
B.	RHODA HARTMAN	11-18-1896
B.	SARA HEILIGH	11-18-1896
B.	NOVA HILEMAN	6-18-1898
L.	IDA HILEMAN	7-18-1898
B.	L. A. HILEMAN	8-18-1898
L.	W. G. HINDMAN	8-18-1898
B.	EFFIE HILEMAN	1-13-1900
B.	FRANCIS HEATER	7-14-1900
B.	JEFF HILEMAN	1-13-1900
B.	OLIVER HILEMAN	1-13-1900
B.	CHARLIE HARVEL	12-17-1905
B.	JENNIE HARVEL	12-17-1905
B.	ALLIE HILEMAN	12-24-1905
B.	MAGGIE HALE	12-24-1905
B.	AGNUS HARTLINE	12-24-1905
B.	ALICE HOLSHOUSER	5-27-1906
L.	MARTHA HILEMAN	7-07-1906
B.	DORA HARTLINE	11-27-1906
B.	GRACE HEATER	1-24-1903
B.	DELLA HILEMAN	1-13-1900
B.	JOHN HEILIG	10-21-1909
B.	ETHEL HEATER	10-21-1909
B	NELLIE HEATER	10-21-1909
B.	ANNE HEILIG	12-12-1905
B.	FRANKIE HOLHOUSER	1-13-1900
B.	MATTIE HENRY	1-13-1900
B.	ARTHUR HILEMAN	4-17-1912
B.	FLORA HUNTER	6-17-1900
B.	BLANCH HASE	1-18-1914
B.	MOLLY HASE	1-18-1914
B.	SHERRI HEATER	6-25-1995
B.	ELMER HARTLINE	12-05-1937
B.	RICHARD HARVEL	9-14-1969
B.	MORRIS HUNTER	5-24-1925

"H"

B.	BENNIE HARVEL	1-18-1914
B.	BESSIE HARVEL	1-18-1914
B.	DELIA HASTING	1-18-1914
B.	BERTHA HASTING	1-18-1914
L.	JOAN HEATER	1-18-1914
L.	ANNIE HARVEL	5-19-1917
B.	EUGENE HELIGH	11-01-1931
B.	THELMA HASE	11-01-1931
B.	JEWEL HUNTER	5-24-1925
B.	VIRGINIA HOPPOW	12-05-1937
B.	MARY HARTLINE	12-05-1937
B	BETTY J.HILEMAN	12-05-1937
B.	BILLY HILEMAN	12-05-1937
B.	HAZEL HARVEL	5-07-1939
B.	BERNET HARVEL	8-07-1938
B.	HOLLIE HILEMAN	9-17-1939
B.	MILDRED HILEMAN	5-05-1940
B.	DIMPLE HILEMAN	12-05-1937
B.	ESTER HARVEL	6-21-1942
B.	OLLIE HUMPHRY	6-21-1942
B.	DORRIS HILEMAN	4-15-1956
B.	CHARLOTT HARVEL	4-15-1956
B.	ELAINE HILEMAN	4-15-1956
B.	ELLA HOCK	5-20-1917
B.	ROSINA HUFFMAN	10-21-1928
B.	OLA HELTON	11-08-1914
B.	BEULAH HENDRIX	5-20-1917
B.	EVELYN HELIGH	11-01-1927
B.	SILAS HASE	6-05-1943
B.	MARY HASE	6-05-1943
B.	GWENDOLIN HASE	6-05-1943
B.	HARRY HARVEL	4-16-1944
B.	THOMAS HARVEL	4-16-1944
B.	CHARLES HARVEL	4-16-1944
B.	FRED HARVEL	4-16-1944
B.	MARY HARVEL	4-16-1944
B.	DON HUNTER	4-16-1944
B.	CHARLES HILEMAN	4-16-1944
B.	NADINE HILEMAN	4-16-1945
L.	ALICE HILEMAN	10-04-1950
B.	ZETTA HILEMAN	4-16-1961
B.	LOWELL HILEMAN	3-26-1961
L.	ESTELLA HARVEL	4-27-1960
B.	LORENE HOUSEMAN	4-09-1961
B.	WAYNE HALE	4-09-1961
B.	JEFF HALE	4-09-1961
B.	TRAVIS HALE	4-09-1961
B.	CHRIS HILEMAN	4-12-1964
B.	BRENDA HILEMAN	12-03-1957
L.	KATHY HILEMAN	2-02-1975
B.	RICHARD JOHNSON	3-21-1969
B.	HEATHER HUFFINE	1-30-1994
B.	HARVEL SHIRLEY	3-31-1963
B.	VICKIE HARVEL	4-28-1963
B.	CHUCKIE J.HARVEL	4-11-1971
B.	TINA JANE HARVEL	10-22-72

"H"

B. JULIE HUNTER	5-09-1990
B. MAE HASE	11-26-1950
B. JO ANN HILEMAN	11-26-1950
B. RONALD HILEMAN	11-26-1950
B. WILLIAM HARTLINE	11-26-1950
B. SUSAN HILEMAN	11-26-1951
B. CARL HILEMAN	11-27-1951
B. JOE HILEMAN	10-21-1951
B. JOYCE HILEMAN	10-21-1951
L. WAYNE HULL	12-11-1952
L. VERBLE HULL	12-11-1952
B. DONNA JEAN HUNTER	3-08-1953
B. VERA HULL	7-12-1953
L. DEMPSEY HARVEL	5-02-1956
L. THELMA HARVEL	5-02-1956
B. BONNIE HARVEL	11-18-1914
L. MAUDIE LOU HART	1-04-1960
L. JAMES E. HART	1-04-1960
B. RICHARD HART	4-15-1960
B. JOYCE HART	4-17-1960
B. DAVID J. HERING	4-28-1963

"I"

NO NAMES RECORDED

"J"

B. DELLA JORDON	1-13-1900
B. SINITHA JORDON	1-13-1900
B. MARY JACKSON	1-13-1900
L. MARANDA JORDON	8-13-1900
B. EDDIE JORDON	5-18-1898
B. MALINDA JORDON	1-13-1900
B. NEASEY JORDON	11-18-1896
B. DIXIE JORDON	10-24-1909
B. SARA JUSTICE	1-13-1900
B. ETHEL JACKSON	10-21-1909
B. OPAL JORDON	11-08-1914
B. MINNIE JORDON	11-08-1914
B. MARY JONES	11-18-1896
B. MARY JORDON	1-13-1900
B. SCOTT JORDON	1-13-1900
B. MALINDA JORDON	1-13-1900
B. TENA JORDON	11-22-1914
B. NADINE JORDON	4-16-1944
L. RUBY JOHNSON	3-18-1966
B. RICHARD JOHNSON	3-21-1969
B. LOUIS JORDON	10-21-1928
B. SID JORDON	10-21-1928
B. HAZEL JORDON	10-21-1928
B. PAULENE JORDON	11-23-1930
B. MARGARET JORDON	11-23-1930
B. MARTHA JORDON	11-23-1930
B. FREDA JONES	11-05-1939
B. ALBERT JORDON	11-14-1930
B. ANNIE JOHNSON	12-14-1952
B. IRS JORDON	3-08-1953
L. LENA JORDON	3-08-1953
B. LULA KNUPP	4-09-1921
B. JERRY JORDON	4-10-1961
L. BILL JOYCE	10-10-1993
L. RUTH JOYCE	10-10-1993
B. CRISTY JOHNS	9-17-1993
B. JASON JOHNS	9-17-1993
B. NICK JOHNS	9-17-1993

"K"

L. LNE KNUPP	6-18-1898
B. LIGE KNUPP	9-18-1898
B. JOHN. KOLB	1-13-1900
B. LIZZA KNUPP	1-13-1900
B. JOHN KNUPP	8-18-1900
B. LULE KNUPP	8-18-1800
B. SIDNEY KNUPP	1-19-1901
B. REBECKA KNUPP	1-19-1901
B. EVELINE KING	1-19-1901
B. ANNIE KING	12-17-1906
B. LOVE KNUPP	12-17-1906
B. SYLVESTER KING	9-01-1906
L. LIGE KNUPP	4-12-1908
L. LIZA KNUPP	4-12-1908
L. JENNIE KNUPP	4-12-1908
B. CORA KOHLER	10-15-1902
B. WILL KOHLER	12-19-1909
B. BECCA KNUPP	8-18-1911
B. HENRY KING	11-08-1914
B. LENA KELLER	11-22-1914
B. ERTHA KELLER	11-08-1914
B. ADA KING	12-17-1905
B. PAULA KOHLER	6-23-1968
B HAZEL KOHLER	1-09-1921
B. ROY KOHLER	11-18-1923
B. GILBERT KOHLER	7-20-1947
B. BON KOHLER	1-07-1963
B. BONNIE KOHLER	1-08-1964
B. DALTON KOHLER	4-11-1971
B. WILLIAM KASPER	10-22-1972
L. LINDA KELLER	5-03-1981
B. SHAWNNA KOHLER	5-24-1981
B. BROOKS KOHLER	11-21-1982
B. GAYLEN KOHLER	6-23-1968
B. JOHN KOHLER	10-21-1928
B. BIRDIE KOHLER	10-21-1928
B. WILMENA KOHLER	5-07-1939
B. SILVIA KING	6-01-1941

"K"

B.	ELSIE KING	5-24-1925
B.	NOMA KING	10-21-1928
B.	VIVIAN KNUPP	11-23-1930
B.	ROBERT KELLEY	4-16-1944
B.	RICHARD KELLEY	4-16-1944
B.	FLOYD KELLEY	4-16-1944
B.	NAOMA KING	9-19-1948
B.	HARRY KNUPP	11-26-1950
B.	OPAL KNUPP	3-08-1953

"L"

L.	B. F. LOLLIS	11-18-1896
B.	JOSEPH LESSAR	11-18-1896
L.	RHODA LOLLIS	11-18-1896
B.	MAGGIE LESSAR	1-19-1907
B.	GOLITHA LINGLE	12-21-1901
B.	GEORGE LINGLE	8-25-1912
B.	MINNIE LINGLE	4-07-1912
B.	GEORGE W. LINGLE	4-07-1912
B.	IVA LINGLE	11-23-1904
L.	NELLIE LESSAR	1-18-1898
B.	G. A. LINGLE	8-28-1902
B.	VIDA LINGLE	5-20-1917
B.	BYRAN LESSAR	11-18-1928
B.	JEWEL LINGLE	11-17-1926
B.	LUCIE LESSAR	11-18-1923
B.	MELBA LINGLE	11-23-1930
B.	MARY LINGLE	11-23-1930
B.	LEE LINGLE	11-23-1930
B.	OLIN LINGLE	11-01-1931
B.	WELDON LINGLE	11-05-1933
B.	FOREST LINGLE	11-05-1933
B.	AGNES C. LETCH	5-07-1939
B.	CHARLES H. LETCH	5-07-1939
B.	HELEN LINGLE	5-05-1940
B.	HARRY LINGLE	1-19-1940
B.	LOYD LINGLE	1-19-1941
B.	IMOJEAN LYNN	5-31-1965
B.	DONALD LYNN	3-24-1969
B.	SUZANNE LYNN	10-24-1972
B.	LORIANNE LYNN	10-24-1972
B.	CARL LINGLE	5-02-1948
B.	ESTHER LINGLE	5-02-1948
B.	ALFRED LINGLE	4-17-1960
B.	BETTY JUNE LINGLE	5-02-1948
B.	VIVIAN LINGLE	5-02-1948
B.	EDITH LINGLE	10-16-1949
B.	EARL LINGLE	10-16-1949
B.	LESLIE LINGLE	11-26-1950
B.	MARILYN LAND	11-26-1950
B.	DAVID LAMBERT	4-16-1961
B.	LULA LAMBERT	4-16-1961
B.	LeROY LINGLE	6-01-1941
B.	EVELYN LASLEY	11-23-1930
B.	TABATHA LINGLE	12-21-1901
B.	WAYNE LINGLE, Jr.	9-12-1996

"L"

B.	JEAN LINTON	3-29-1964
B.	MIKE LINTON	3-29-1964
B.	RAY LINTON	5-31-1964
B.	BILL LINTON	6-07-1964
B.	VICKIE LINTON	10-11-1964

"M"

L.	JACOB MEISENHEIMER	1-18-1898
L.	JANE MEISENHEIMER	1-18-1898
B.	DELLA MEISENHEIMER	1-18-1898
B.	MOLLY MEISENHEIMER	1-26-1906
L.	MARY McCRITE	10-22-1909
B.	DOLLY MULKEY	11-18-1896
L.	H.S. McCOMMONS	2-02-1913
B.	ALICE McCOMMONS	5-07-1906
B.	LUCILLE MOWERY	11-05-1933
B.	IRENE MOWERY	11-05-1933
B.	FLOYD MOWERY	11-05-1933
B.	HAROLD MOWERY	11-05-1933
B.	FRANCIS MITCHEL	11-05-1933
B.	JUNIOR McCOMMONS	11-05-1933
B.	DELBERT McCOMMONS	1-20-1936
B.	RAY MILLER	1-20-1936
B.	LODEMA McCOMMONS	5-07-1939
B.	NORMA JEAN MOWERY	5-07-1939
B.	HENRY MESSAMORE	5-05-1940
B.	PERRY MOWERY	5-05-1940
B.	M. F. MEISEMHEIMER	5-05-1940
B.	BETTY J. McCOMMONS	12-05-1937
B.	THELMA MILLER	11-23-1930
B.	FREDA McKENNEY	1-19-1941
B.	LOUISE McHUGH	12-21-1943
B.	BURNETT MOWERY	11-12-1943
B.	LEONA McHUGH	4-16-1944
L.	ROBERT E. MANN	11-12-1947
L.	ROSELA MANN	11-12-1947
B.	MARCELLA MANN	11-05-1952
B.	IRA McCOMMONS	11-05-1953
B.	GEORGE McCOMMONS	4-08-1951
B.	RAY MORELAND	4-16-1961
L.	DANNY MILLER	11-14-1980
L.	JERRY MILLER	11-14-1980
L.	SCOTT MILLER	11-14-1980
B.	DAVID MILLER	4-30-1981
B.	LaRAY McCOMMONS	4-30-1981
B.	TRACY McDERMOTT	4-30-1981
B.	FRANCIS MILLER	5-16-1982
B.	BONNIE McCOMMONS	11-14-1982
L.	HENRY McRAVEN	8-10-1983
L.	FARIE McRAVEN	8-10-1983
B.	RAY MILLER	4-16-1961

"M"

B.	MARION MILLER	10-21-1928
B.	CLYDE MOWERY	6-26-1932
B.	EULAH MOWERY	6-26-1932
B.	KATHRYN MILLER	4-09-1959
B.	LOTTIE MOWERY	11-18-1929
B.	MAMIE MITCHEL	5-20-1917
B.	EULAH McGOWN	5-20-1917
B.	LILLA McCOMMINS	2-21-1925
B.	SCOTT McCOMMINS	2-21-1925
B.	MYRA MILLER	5-20-1917
B.	HARLEY McCOMMINS	11-18-1923
B.	HAROLD MEISENHEIMER	10-21-1928
B.	PEARL MEISENHEIMER	10-21-1926
B.	RUSSEL MILLER	11-23-1930
B.	FRED McRAVEN	11-23-1930
B.	JUANITA McCRAVEN	12-27-1930
L.	LORETA McCRAVEN	12-27-1930
B.	NELLIE McCRAVEN	11-01-1931
B.	BEN McCRAVEN	11-01-1931
B.	BRENDA McCOMMINS	3-31-1963
B.	DIANNE McCOMMINS	4-04-1965
B.	JOHNNA McCOMMINS	11-14-1982
B.	MARY MAYBERRY	4-18-1943
B.	KATHRYN MILLER	4-09-1959
L.	BERNIECE McCRAVEN	4-06-1960
B.	GUIOLA MORELAND	4-16-1961
B.	RAY MORELAND	4-16-1961
L.	TIM MILLER	4-09-1990
B.	CODY McCLARD	6-05-1994
B.	CARRIE McCLARD	9-31-1994
L.	DAISY McGEE	2-31-1994
L.	CLAUDE McGEE	8-28-1994

"N"

L.	CHESTER NIX	11-18-1942
L.	GRACE NIX	11-18-1942
L.	PEARL NIX	9-21-1956
L.	DORA MAE NIX	9-21-1952
B.	ERNEST NIX	6-28-1959
L.	DORA NIX	10-10-1954
B.	DORA NORVELL	11-28-1906
B.	LARRY NEWMAN	6-28-1959
B.	LORETTA NIX	6-24-1963
B.	MARIE NORMAN	6-19-1960

"O"

L.	RAYMOND OXFORD	11-03-1996
L.	HELEN OXFORD	11-03-1990

"P"

B.	ARETTA POOLE	1-09-1921
L.	MERLIN PECORD	7-26-1950
B.	ELIZABETH POOLE	3-08-1953
L.	MAXINE PENDER	1-25-1981
L.	FRED PENDER	2-08-1981
B.	BRADLEY PENDER	2-08-1981
B.	DELLA PILES	12-17-1905

"P"

B.	BILL POAT	4-28-1981
B.	RUSSEL PENDER	4-28-1981
B.	TONY PENDER	4-29-1981
B.	ROBERT POOLE	4-04-1971
L.	JOY POOLE	6-08-1984
L.	LIZA PARKER	2-02-1975
L.	SUSAN PARKER	12-27-1977
B.	NORA POWLES	10-24-1909
B.	DORA POOLE	5-20-1917
B.	RUTH PAYNE	5-20-1917
B.	ALBERT PENROD	5-20-1917
B.	HILAS PARMLEY	11-25-1930
B.	JEWEL PROTOR	11-05-1937
B.	VILOT PORTLOCK	5-07-1939
B.	FERN POOLE	4-16-1944
B.	DELORSE POWLES	5-02-1948
B.	HAROLD POOLE	6-16-1946
L.	LENA PECORD	7-26-1950
L.	BOBBY PECORD	7-26-1950
L.	MERLIN W. PECORD	7-26-1950
B.	BRUCE POOLE	3-08-1953
B.	CARLOS POOLE	3-08-1953
L.	GENE PHILLIPS	2-06-1995
L.	PEGGY PHILLIPS	2-06-1995
B.	LINDA PECORD	11-15-1956
B.	JASON POAT	8-26-1990
B.	JACOB POAT	8-26-1990
L.	JESSIE PENDER	6-10-1994
L.	ANITA POOLE	1-01-1995
L.	FRANK POOLE	1-01-1995
L.	HAROLD POPE	7-09-1972
L.	ARLENE POPE	7-09-1972
L.	PAM POPE	7-09-1972
L.	LOUISE POPE	7-09-1972
L.	BERGUS PENROD	2-08-1898
B.	NORA POWLES	10-24-1907
B.	DEBRA PYLES	10-24-1907
B.	RAY PARRISH	11-08-1914
B.	CLARA POWLES	11-08-1914
B.	JAMES POOLE	11-08-1914
L.	FLORENCE PENROD	11-18-1914
B.	MARTHA PILES	5-08-1890

"R"

B.	NEASEY RHINEHEART	11-18-1896
B.	ADALINE ROLLENS	11-18-1896
B.	W. E. ROLLINS	11-18-1896
B.	LOTHA ROLLINS	7-21-1901
B.	GRACE RHINEHEART	1-24-1903
B.	AMANDA ROULS	5-27-1906
B.	CHARLIE ROULS	5-27-1901
B.	SIDNEY RHYMER	4-12-1908
B.	AMANDA RANCE	4-12-1908
B.	CHARLIE RANCE	5-27-1906
B.	RALPH ROBINSON	11-18-1914
B.	PAULA RUSHING	10-18-1972
L.	NETTIE REED	06-1979
L.	MILDRED RUSHING	5-02-1981
B.	FRANK RUSHING	4-28-1981
B.	PAM REYNOLDS	4-09-1982
B.	CLYDE RIVERS	3-08-1953
B.	MURTLE RIVERS	3-08-1953
B.	LAURA RUSSELL	1-09-1921
L.	ANNIE RODGERS	1-18-1924
L.	CHARLES C. RAY	12-21-1930
B.	CARRIE RIVERS	5-05-1940
B.	IRMA RANDOLF	5-05-1940
B.	NANCY RAY	3-08-1953

"S"

B.	FRANCIS SHEFFER	6-18-1898
B.	NELLIE SIMS	1-18-1898
B.	SANDY SHEFFER	6-18-1898
B.	ALETHA SHEFFER	6-18-1898
B.	FLORA SHEFFER	8-19-1900
L.	CHARLES SHARP	3-17-1900
B.	EFFIE SHEFFER	3-19-1900
L.	IVA SAMS	2-01-1903
L.	GRACE SAMS	2-01-1903
B.	LILLIE SHARP	12-17-1905
B.	ETHEL STOKES	5-27-1905
B.	DANIEL STOKES	5-27-1906
B.	CHARLIE STAFFORD	11-28-1906
B.	MINNIE SAMS	10-21-1909
B.	ELI SHORT	5-19-1912
B	SARAH SCRONCE	11-08-1914
B.	IDA SHORT	5-19-1912
B.	JOHN SCRONCE	11-08-1914
B.	OWEN SCRONCE	11-08-1914
B.	ELBERT SHEFFER	11-22-1914
B.	ANNIE SHEFFER	11-22-1914
B.	BLANCH SCRONCE	11-22-1914
B.	DIXIE SPENCER	10-24-1909
B.	WARD SHORT	1-19-1921
B.	GUY SMITHEY	11-18-1923
B.	STEVE STONE	11-30-1967

"S"

B.	MINNIE SMITHEY	11-18-1923
B.	LURA SLUSHER	5-24-1925
B.	DELOURS SHEFFER	2-21-1928
B.	JERALDINE STANTON	10-21-1928
B.	AGNUS SMIDDY	10-21-1928
B.	BERT SLUSHER	10-21-1928
B.	MINDA SHORT	10-21-1928
B.	DANIEL STONER	11-23-1930
B.	WINFRED SMITHEY	11-23-1930
B.	EDNA SHEFFER	11-21-1943
B.	ELBERT SHEFFER	2-20-1940
B.	VIDA SPEARS	2-20-1940
B.	CARROL SLUSHER	11-21-1943
B.	ALBERT SMITHEY	8-06-1944
B.	ELIZABETH SMITHEY	8-061944
B.	JOANN SMITHEY	8-06-1944
B.	CHARLES SMITHEY	8-06-1944
B.	ROBERT SMITHEY	6-06-1948
B.	MONT STARNS	4-03-1949
B.	MARYLN SITTON	4-10-1960
B.	ELANE SITTON	4-10-1960
B.	JUDY SCRONCE	4-12-1960
B.	DARREL SPURLOCK	4-17-1960
B.	JESSIE SOWERS	3-23-1962
B.	OLIVER SMIDDY	2-05-1956
L.	LILLIE STONE	7-31-1957
B.	EDWARD LEE STONE	9-07-1958
B.	WILLIAM STONE	4-17-1960
B.	INA STONE	4-17-1960
B.	NELLIE SMIDDY	10-28-1962
B.	JOETTA SPIRES	10-22-1972
B.	REBA SHORT	7-22-1984
B.	JEAN SMITH	4-11-1971
B.	TINA STONE	10-22-1972
B.	SUSAN STONE	3-08-1973
B.	WILLIE A. SMIDDY	12-04-1952
L.	HENRY SMITHEY	2-20-1926
L.	MARCELA SMITHEY	2-20-1926
B.	NORA SMIDDY	4-15-1956
L.	KENNETH SCHERLE	10-23-1957
L.	PHYLIS SCHERLE	10-23-1957
B.	DARLA SCHERLE	7-10-1958
L.	WILLIAM SANDERS	11-19-1961
L.	MARILYN SANDERS	11-19-1961
B.	FREDA STONE	3-23-1962
B.	MICHAEL SHEPPARD	3-23-1962
B.	EULAH SITTON	3-23-1962
B.	ORVIL STONE	3-24-1962
B.	BILL SHEPPARD	3-24-1962

"S"

B.	DAVID STONE	3-24-1962
B.	LARRY STONE	3-24-1962
L.	LOYD SMITHEY	3-19-1964
B.	GAIL SHORT	3-19-1989
B.	DEAN SHORT	3-19-1989
B.	JASON SHORT	4-05-1990
B.	ZACHARY SHORT	4-05-1990
B.	KATIE SHORT	10-04-1992
B.	RUTH STECK *	7-31-1994
B.	WILMA SWEITZER	4-25-1995

"T"

B.	EFFIE THOMPSON	3-17-1900
B.	MARY THORTNON	1-19-1901
B.	THEORDORA TAYLOR	11-18-1896
B.	HENRY TRIPP,JR.	7-20-1958
L.	TERRY TUCKER	5-03-1981
B.	BARBARA TUCKER	5-03-1981
B.	TERRI THOMPSON	5-03-1981
B.	EUGENE TERBRAK	8-30-1959
B.	MARIE TERBRAK	6-19-1960
B.	DANIEL TANNER	6-16-1968

"U"

NO NAMES RECORDED

"V"

B.	CLEDE VICK	12-17-1905
B.	MAGGIE VICK	12-17-1905
B.	ELI VICK	5-21-1906
B.	ELLA VICK	5-21-1906
L.	MARGARET VICK	5-13-1906
B.	MAUDE VICK	8-18-1917
B.	HARLEY VICK	7-02-1911
B.	J. C. VICK	7-02-1911
B.	JACKIE VICK	8-03-1952
B.	KENNETH VICK	7-20-1958
B.	BARBARA	8-05-1973
B.	MIKE VANDEGRAPH	8-05-1973
L.	CORA VANDEGRAPH	8-05-1973
B.	MARCE VANDEGRAPH	6-15-1975
B.	GARY VANDEGRAPH	2-10-1977

"W"

L.	WILLIAM WINTERS	11-18-1896
L.	ELIZA WINTERS	11-18-1896
L.	JOHN WOLF	11-18-1897
L.	A. J. WARREN	2-18-1898
L.	CINDY WARREN	2-18-1898
L.	MARGARET WILEY	3-26-1903
L.	JOSEPH WILEY	3-26-1903
B.	ARTIE WARREN	3-26-1903
B.	SARA WILKINS	5-27-1906
B.	MARK WINTERS	11-08-1914

"W"

B.	DORTHA WEST	2-27-1922
B.	AVIS WATKINS	11-23-1930
B.	G. WESTBROOK	11-05-1933
L.	HAZEL WARREN	4-16-1961
L.	JOHN WARREN, JR.	4-16-1961
B.	JACK WILSON	3-01-1964
B.	KEITH WILSON	3-26-1964
B.	DAVID WINN	4-28-1981
B.	PAULA WINN	12-07-1980
B.	NINA WINN	5-03-1981
B.	KENNETH WILSON	4-16-1944
L.	RAY WOLF	9-11-1950
L.	MRS. RAY WOLF	9-11-1950
L.	LESTA WRIGHT	12-09-1950
L.	RUTH WILLIAMS	11-26-1950
B.	ROY WOLF	10-21-1951
B.	CARLENA WRIGHT	12-14-1942
B.	LINDA WINN	4-18-1954
B.	TERRY WRIGHT	9-14-1969
L.	JIMMY WILSON	1-25-1989
L.	IDEGAIL WILSON	1-25-1989
L.	PENNY WILSON	1-25-1989
B.	KRISTY WHEATON	1-30-1994
L.	GAIL WISSMAN	1-01-1993

"X"

NO NAMES RECORDED

"Y"

B.	HARVEY YOUNG	12-24-1939
B.	GLENDA YOUNG	12-24-1959
B.	PATTY YATES	3-27-1964
B.	LORETTA YATES	6-07-1964

"Z"

NO NAMES RECORDED.

* CORRECTION

B.	BARBARA SUE TRIPP	3-24-69
B.	MARTHA LOUISE TRIPP	3-24-69
B.	JOETTA TRIPP	11-12-72

1996-1997 CHURCH YEAR

PASTOR: Bro. Raymond Oxford

Church Officers

Clerk:	Ed Stone
Treasurer:	Gilbert Kohler
Trustees:	Chuckie Harvel
	Bon Kohler
	Dean Short
Custodian:	Lucille Smithey
Board Member:	Bill Poat
Senior Ushers:	Chuckie Harvel
	Bon Kohler
Junior Ushers:	Sam Harvel
	Scott Harvel
Church Pianist:	Linda Keller
Asst. Church Pianist:	Lucille Smithey
Music Director:	Bonnie Kohler
Asst. Music Director:	Katie Short
Sunday School Director:	George McCommons
Church Training Director:	Bonnie Kohler
Recording Secretary:	Martha Harvel
Flower Committee:	Shirley Harvel
	Martha Harvel
Youth Director:	Gail Short
Librarian:	Bonnie Kohler
Bulletins:	Martha Harvel

Sunday School

Asst. Director:	Gilbert Kohler
Pianist:	Linda Keller
Secretary:	Lucille Smithey
Asst. Secretary:	Nancy Beanland
Nursery:	Marcella McCommons
Preschool I:	Lillie Stone
Preschool II:	Shirley Harvel
Children I:	Bonnie Kohler
Children II:	Chuckie Harvel
	Martha Harvel
Youth I and II:	Dean Short
	Gail Short
Gleaners:	Nettie Reed
	Jean Hartline, Asst.
Auditorium:	George McCommons
	Bill Poat, Asst.